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"When a knave is in a plumtree he hath neither friend nor kin."

## IN THE JUNE OF LIFE

Welcome to June! June is the sixth month of the year, exactly half way if you can believe it from December. Subsequently, the night of June 30th is Half Year's Eve, when you crisis about "what have I even done this year?" and most likely respond with "whatever, tonight was a really nice night, we stood around in a parking lot, then went to a thing, it was like a whatever nice night, no problem, if that's how it's going to be, no problem".

The etymology of the word "June" is disputed- some say the month is named after Juno (aka Hera), wife of Jupiter (aka Zeus). Another possible source is the Latin word "iuniores", meaning "younger ones," or even "juniors" (as opposed to the "maiores" ("elders", or "majors") for which the preceding month of May is named). That kind of makes sense but let's look at the facts (Greek names used for sake of convention):

- Hera (Juno) is often portrayed as majestic and solemn, and may bear a pomegranate in her hand, an emblem of fertile blood and death and a substitute for the narcotic capsule of the opium poppy.
- Hera is known to be jealous and vengeful, often towards Zeus' other lovers and children, and is feared and respected as one not to be trifled with (aka someone with whom trifling with will result in a seriously epic storyline, and stuff named after you in a "here's a bad idea no one should forget" way). Hera is the daughter of Cronos, the ruler of the Golden Age, and Rhea, who was literally the daughter of the sky and the earth. This is the source of her power and rage-- that she is the wife of Zeus is a funny complication.
- Animals sacred to Hera are the peacock and the cow, from which we get her Homeric epithet "Boôpis", meaning "cow eyed" (which survives today in the form of wide-eyed bimbo-archetype name "Boopie"). She's also associated with the cuckoo, which makes its appearance at this time of year, but the cuckoo isn't sacred to her, they just hang out together.

In short, what/who do you want to name a month after? Come on, no contest.



In the aniconic era, before the technology to make bomb-ass statues existed, Hera was worshipped in the form of a pillar, a wooden plank, or a pile of white wool. I'm sure we can all sympathize with a pile of white wool, but a plank? Kind of weird, right? But there's some cool parts too, right? As anyone who looks at stupid pictures on the internet could tell you, the plank is a current hot topic!

# PLANKING

"Planking" (as it's called in Australia, and subsequently in all englishspeaking countries) or "the lying down game" (as it's called in Korea) is a fad currently in vogue whereby people pose for pictures in various settings pretending to be inanimate planks of wood. In addition to being a logical continuation of the zombie fad, and an expression of horizontal power structures, planking is basically the 2011 version of the early 20th century fad of flagpole sitting. Like the flagpole sit before it, planking is a personal echo of architectural vogue- as the flagpole sit spoke to the skyscraper, planking speaks to the sprawl. As there is no building so high that a scurrilous attention-getter cannot sit on top of it, there is no setting so monotonous that dynamic humanity cannot shame it by automannequinizing within. I think it's fair to say that what Apollo, whose symbol was the obelisk, was to the Apollonian 1920s, Hera (Juno, remember) may be to the current era. OK, this might seem like a bummer (she was a suckler of beasts, mother of monsters, and enemy of Hercules, whose chief lasting attribute was murderous jealousy) but she's a mother/maiden/widow, she's there in a pinch, she reconciled with Cool Herc eventually, and she did after all guide the Argonauts between Scylla and Charybdis, the original "rock and a hard place".

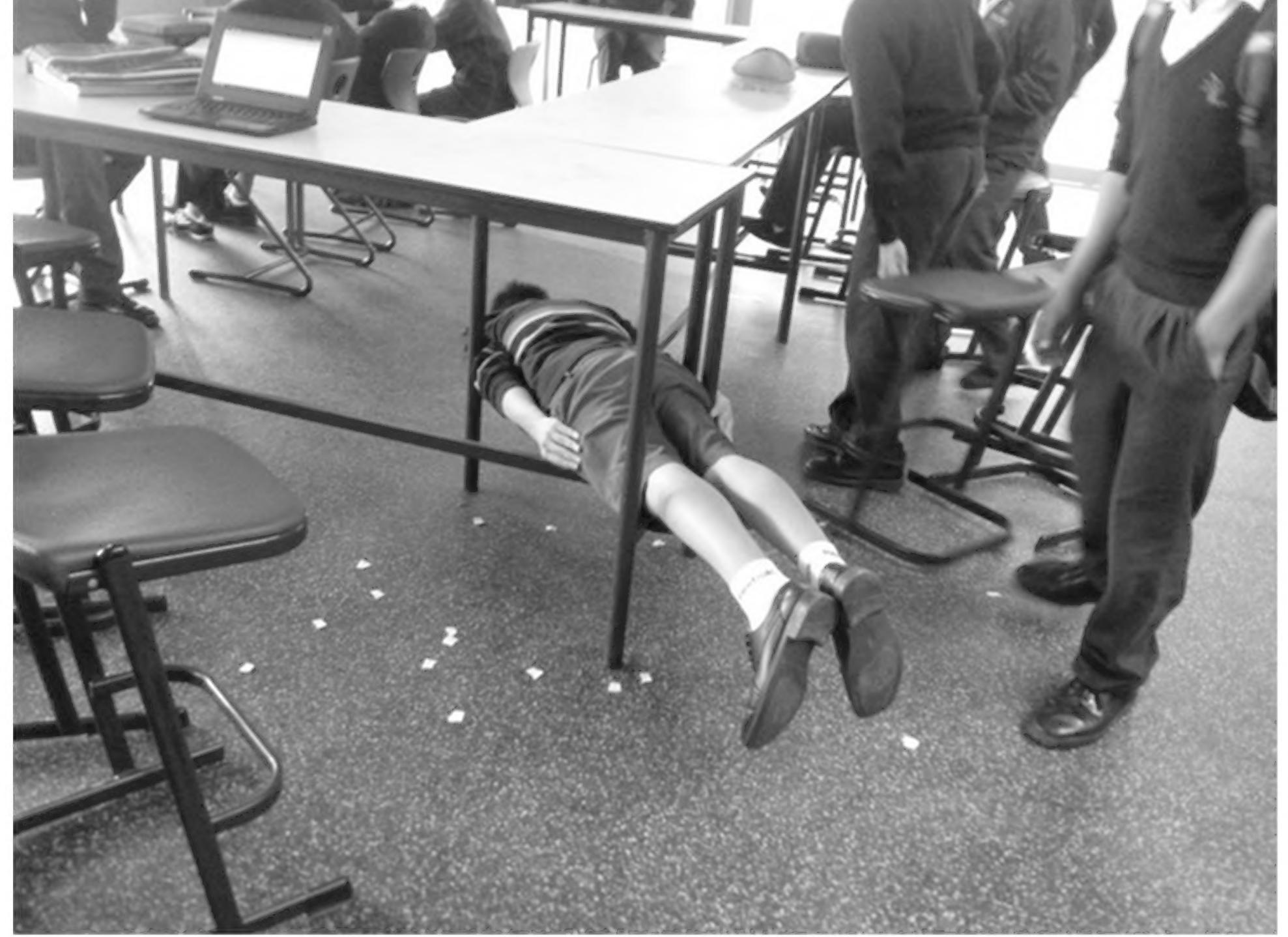
Oh, and in case lying down stiff as a board has too many negative connotations, remember there's also the column option: one of Hera's temples boasted 155 of them, which archaeologists believe were most likely just shooting up into open space unroofed, not holding up shit. As anyone who's ever seen a Barnett Newman retrospective could tell you, This Is A Cool Idea! So idea 1 is a plank, idea 2 is a collection of untapering lines impossibly parallel to each other and perpendicular to Heaven. Oh, and ceremonial bathing seems like a big concept too, there's one that's easily accomplished. Did anyone read this article all the way to the end? If so please send a self-addressed stamped envelope to this newspaper and we will send you a piece of the true cross absolutely free.

# FULL OF SYADIJOH

Hey, speaking of Cool Ideas and Endless Feminized Jutting, June is "Officially" the month of the unicorn. According to Finnish tradition, if you bathe naked in the morning dew on the morning of the 24th (or the after-midnight of the 23rd), you will stem the effects of aging for an entire year (ceremonial bathing again!). June 16th is Bloomsday, the day that James Joyce's ULYSSES took place. What do you do, have breakfast and walk around? Like 2 Live Crew, Ulysses was banned in the USA, and is now recognized as an ultimate mega-baroque hyperealization of a heretofore unexplored facet of the human condition, like a grey wad of nanobots designed to perfectly take apart and reassemble any working phonograph. If your town does not have a Bloomsday celebration, having breakfast and walking around by yourself is totally applicable, ditto going to a bar. Just a few days away is Juneteenth, which takes place on June 19th, and commemorates the day of the undeniable announcement of the end of explicit legal slavery in America. Take the day off.

Gay rights parades and celebrations often take place in late June, because that's when the Stonewall Riots happened- June 28th 1969. People sometimes use the word "gay" to mean "weak", which is completely insane- the Stonewall Riots were one of the few riots in American History that actually sent the police running. That's weak? To get ambushed in a small club with only one entrance/exit, while/because you are dancing with your partner, to fight your way out AND keep fighting once you're out AND go back the next night AND keep going? And win? You think that's weak? You ever fought for something? I'M RIGHT HERE.

June is the month with the longest daylight hours (in the northern hemisphere). the absolute longest day this year (aka the solstice) is the 21st, but meteorological summer begins (began) on JUNE 1st! I bet you thought it would never happen, but it did.



# SUMMER FOOD

### FROZEN BLUEBERRIES

The big food news this summer is that frozen blueberries are mega delicious, and additionally, they are a superfood. If you're making some food and wondering what you can put in it to make it super, so you can call it "Super-[that thing], Mothers News strongly recommends frozen blueberries (or regular). I don't care if you're making a just peanut butter sandwich, a yogurt milkshake, a salad, a bowl of granola, a plate of asparagus, a birthday cake, or a good strong drink, whatever the kind of food it is, you will find that frozen blueberries are a great ingredient to use, to flavorify and superify. They really are the best thing to put in food! Also they're whatever cheap at the supermarket, and if you live near a farm you can buy a ton of them locally/seasonally, then freeze. And lest we forget, by buying blueberries you are supporting the crust punk economy. Here's to you, crusty, hopping trains to fetid camps to harvest blueberries and having cool bonfires and tattooing your face and having a cool smell. You are the wind beneath my wings... and to blueberries... they are delicious...

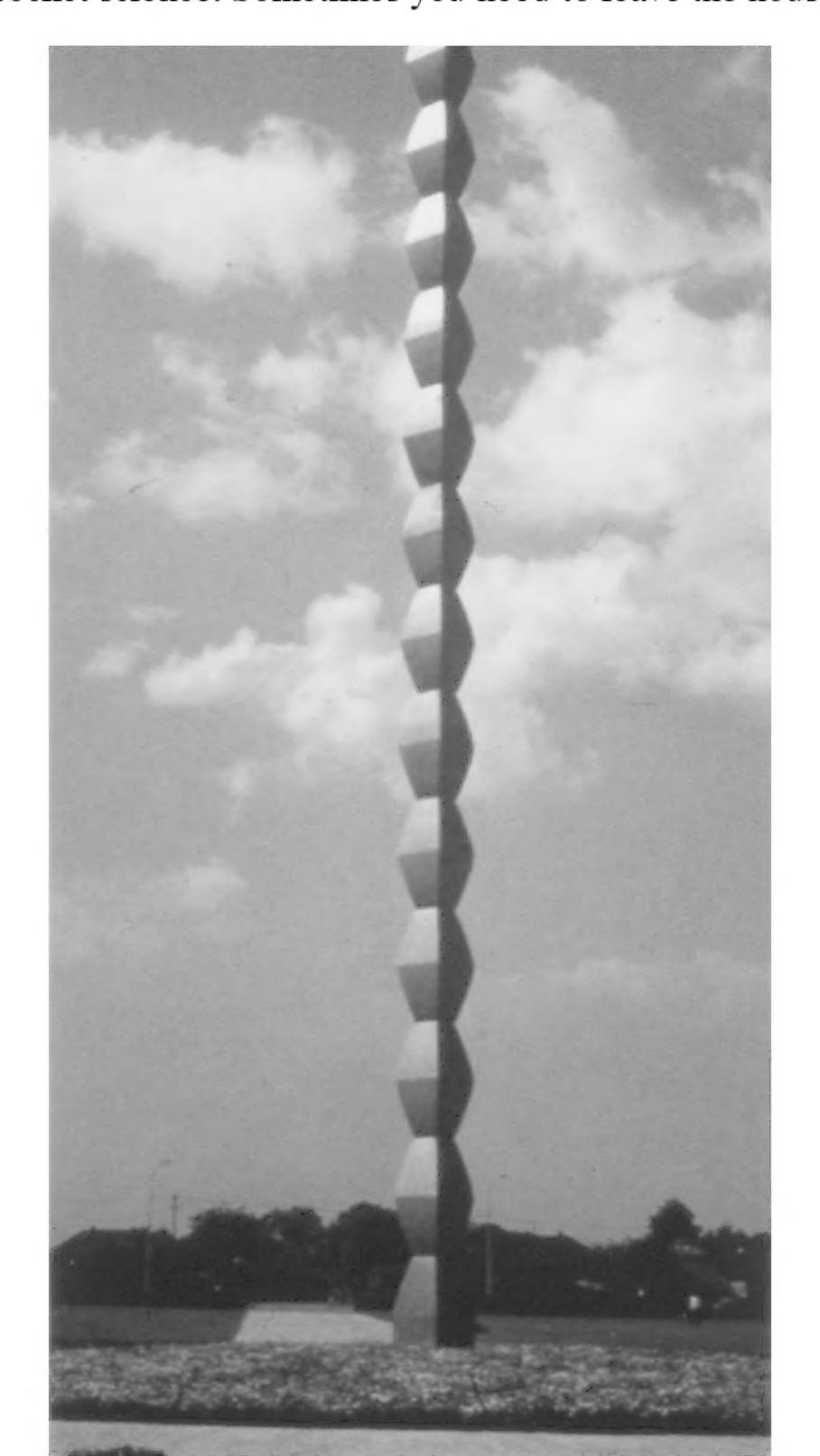
# **SNACKS**

There's a great part in the Jonathan Richman song "Parties in the USA" (not to be confused with the recent and singular "Party in the USA") in which he says, of an awesome party, "they got potato chips sitting there, and guitars playing". It's a lot like that song "California Desert Party" where's he's like "Guacamole's there for you / carrot juice and nachos too", and to a lesser extent in "Party in the Woods Tonight" where he goes "the day it has gone, the night it has come / The woods are all dark, but you're still a bum / The moose go 'moo!,' the deers are there too / And the monsters are cooking up a disgraceful soup for you". Bottom line, it's important, if you're having a party, that there's snacks. Ideally chips. Ideally the chips are in a large bowl or rolled-down paper grocery bag. Mixing a variety of chips: cool. Mixing chips and candy: cool. eating snow peas at the beach: COOL. Snacks are very welcoming and a classic thing for humans to bond over. Also, only by including snacks can your party hope to address all five common senses.

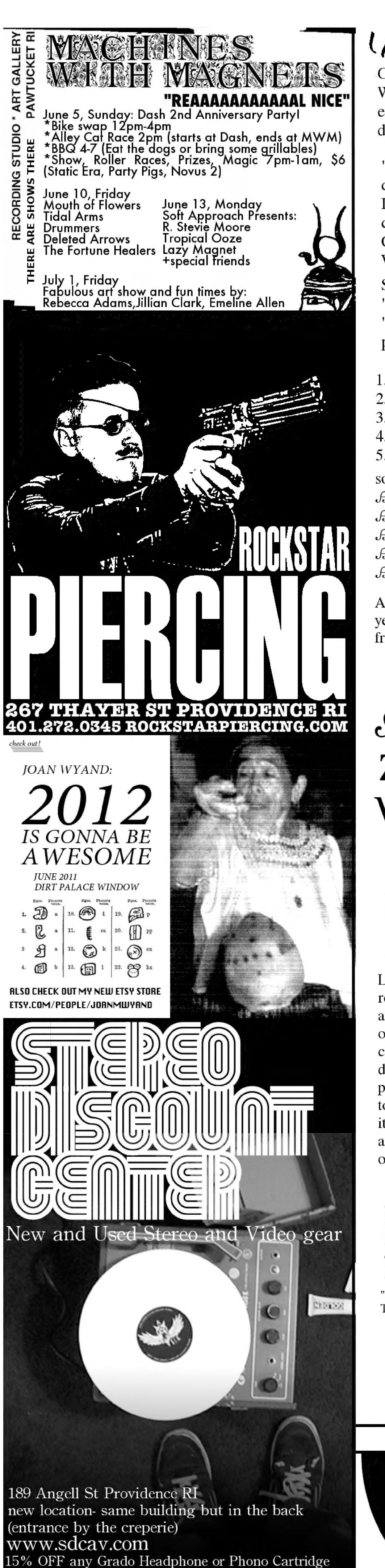
As Hermes Trismegistus says in his text "Asclepius", a party is an intelligible sphere whose center is everywhere. But a show has a specific and placeable center that everyone stands around and looks at, so although it seems weird to call something you really like "not a party", let's face facts, it's not a party. If you have a bowl of chips that's no good, there'll be too heavy a party vibe and no one will kick in the \$5 or whatever for the bands. HOWEVER if you sell good cheap food that you don't need a fork to eat, everyone loves it. Talk to the show promoter, put it on the flyer, bring a hotplate or toaster oven, kick down to the bands, it rules. Tacos, tamales, tapas, popsicles, french bread pizzas, dumplings, Vietnamese tofu sandwiches, whatever. Diego reports: "Legend has it that King Alphonso X (of Castille) mandated that when alcohol is sold in taverns, food must accompany the drink, to avoid illness". That sounds about right, and you know that the dude's legit about health because they named that religious soap after his kingdom or whatever.

# ICE COFFEE

NEWS FLASH- ICE COFFEE IS JUST COFFEE WITH ICE IN IT! I'm not saying it's not good- it's good. But whycome you get a fresh coffee and it's \$1.70, then you wait a while and it's \$4 or whatever? If you're at your house, make strong hot coffee and pour it in a pint glass full of ice, then ad your preferred whitener, it's not rocket science. Sometimes you need to leave the house for a beverage, I understand that. But quelle le diff?







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(ANGUAGE LAB: CHEROKEE Cherokee is a cool language with a few compelling structures and a written alphabet that certainly looks cool and angelic spraypainted on the side of a

Walmart by you immediately. Like seemingly a lot of American tribes, the name commonly assumed to be their name for themselves is really someone else's word for "weird people", which they were like whatever about. In this case the source is the Creek word "Chelokee", which means "people of a different speech". Not so bad considering that "Mohawk" is the Algonquian word for "cannibal".

"Different speech" is a cool epithet for a tribe, and glosses over the fact that maybe it's on purpose-- different language, different thought. In addition to a diversity of means, there's a defense aspect too: pretty much every forcibly marginalized group has used a factionalizing speech pattern as a strategem. In this manner one can talk freely among members in hostile situations, encrypt records and transmissions, identify outsiders, and pass on a lesscorruptible worldview to one's offspring. This is how it works if it's a language, argot, patois, slang, or particular nomenclature. In the case of the Cherokee, this strength-of-difference became an international asset, when it was used to transmit top secret information over eavesdropped lines in World War I (Navajo was more famously used for this purpose, in World War II, but Cherokee was first).

Structurally, Cherokee is pretty interesting- One thing I especially like is that some verbs ("pick up", 'put down", "remove", "wash", "hide", "eat", "drag", "have", "hold", "put in water", "put in fire", "hang up", "be placed", and "pull along") require special classifiers which denote a physical property of the direct object. The classifiers can be grouped into five categories:

1. Live

2. Flexible (most common)

3. Long (narrow, not flexible)

4. Indefinite (solid, heavy relative to size)

5. Liquid (or container of)

HIKASI Hand them (something living)

HINVSI Hand them (something like clothes, rope) ЭЛЬ HIDISI Hand them (something like a broom, pencil) Hand them (something like food, book)

ЭЛІЬ HINEVSI Hand them (something like water)

Also, in Cherokee, any word that refers back to a noun changes depending on whether the noun is animate or inanimate. A yellow overcoat is a different "yellow" than a yellow bird. To see a metal can is a different kind of seeing than to see a weird 🖣 frog. Isn't that really satisfying?



Cherokee wasn't a written language until 1821, when the Cherokee syllabary (an alphabet with 1 letter per syllable) was constructed by Sequoyah (also known as Guest, or George Gist). The written form swept through the tribe like wildfire and by 1824, most Cherokee were literate. Newspapers followed soon thereafter. Sequoyah had seen English, Hebrew, and Greek writing, but did not know how to read them-- as a result, the Cherokee syllabary has some letters that appear to be English, some Greek, some numerals, and some Danzig 4. As in all written human

languages, there are some characters that appear to be butts.

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In 1999 Cherokee was added to the Unicode Standard, meaning it could be displayed perfectly in any web browser. As a result, the world saw an drastic uptick in written Cherokee. The iPhone and iPad both have full Cherokee fonts installed. If you have access to your friend's phone for a minute, go Settings > General > International > Language > GWY.

Learning a second language is very good for your brain, it builds up your brain's cognitive reserve, which increases its capacity to work even when stressed or damaged. To that end there are a few easily-findable sources for learning Cherokee, and they will be PSYCHED to help you out! On the other hand, if you just want some cool insert text for your next noise or black metal cassette release, the New Testament is fully translated and online and crazy (it's ok, even the devil can quote scripture to his liking- cherokeenewtestament.com). If you're into more overt politics, there's also this Blondie reprint, translated and findable. Of course no one will be able to look up what these things mean, but scrutability isn't why one gets into noise / black metal, is it? You'll probably forget what it says after a while, then how will you feel? A: complicated. Only a faint memory about something being messed up or beautiful

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"And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.'





Americans of Cherokee descent include Jimi Hendrix, Elvis Presley, Robert Rauschenberg, Tiffany (singer), and both Tommy Lee and James Earl Jones.

# MUTHERS TOP TEN

(in no order)

1. DUCK YAO GRAND OPENING- the greatest restaurant in the world is now not in a living room but an actual commercial space. Same crazy crowd running it- the Grand Ope had ten radios playing Smiths, Cure, and Chinese opera all at the same time, manditory sparklers, and you paid by the HOUR. It was \$7 an hour and they came out with more food periodically and dumped it on your plate and you weren't allowed to decide. Lots of loud laughing. Main st Worcester MA. I LOVE IT!!!!!!

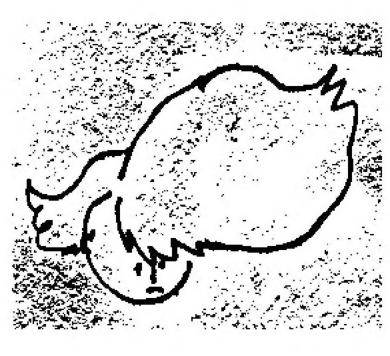
2. BILL CUNNINGHAM NEW YORK incredddddible documentary about the guy who does street fashion photography for the New York Times. Massively inspiring, an absolute MUST SEE if you are concerned at all with: full spectrum expression, doing what you love, culture as a living thing, and being 80 years old riding a bicycle everywhere, living in your studio and not giving a fuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuuk / only giving one massive and continuous fuck. ATTN: PUNKS!

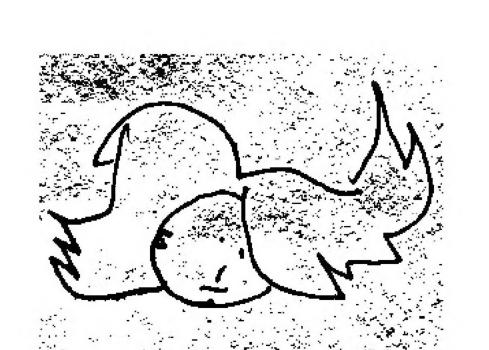
3. ROCHESTER TEEN SET OUTSIDER- I found three issues of this great 1/4 sized zine in a free box and IMMEDIATELY ordered all back issues and a subscription. This is a CLASSIC zine- breezy, conversational, fun, confusing, cheap, and fast. dirt style website: rochesterteensetoutsider.com

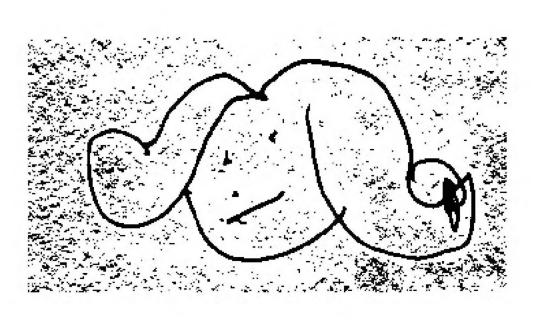
- 4. 2 EGGS TOAST HOMEFRIES AND COFFEE- still the best. Add greens on days you need an extra boost. Cavemen always greens hold the toast. My nutritionist told me to switch to heavy cream in the coffee. Anything for the brain!
- 5. GREY SKIES- I like a springsummer day grey sky, not every day but now and then it's nice in a way.
- 6. BACK TO THE FUTURE BLOOPER REEL- especially the part where the drink slides down the bar and right past the guy's hand, I love this.
- 7. KNOLLING- this is a medium level of cleaning up your desk where you put away everything that isn't in active use, then group remaining items by type, and square them to the edge of the desk in an arrangement pleasing to the eye. I could not keep a clean desk until I made a goofy tetris / ikebana out of it. ABK! A: always B: be K: knolling! or, KYS!
- 8. HAPPINESS PONY- best new newspaper since this one (sorry, Fuck Yea Gazette). Top headline last ish: How Many Teeth Do Women Have? get this from a kid on the street (kid will have rat tail, homespun poncho)
- 9. ATWORLD.biz- AxTx, of Attitude Problem and Buddyship (best free thrash band 200X) set up a truly perfect website, which is hard to do nowadays but dude nailed it in 2011. kind of an inside the park homerun. ATTN: Arcangel

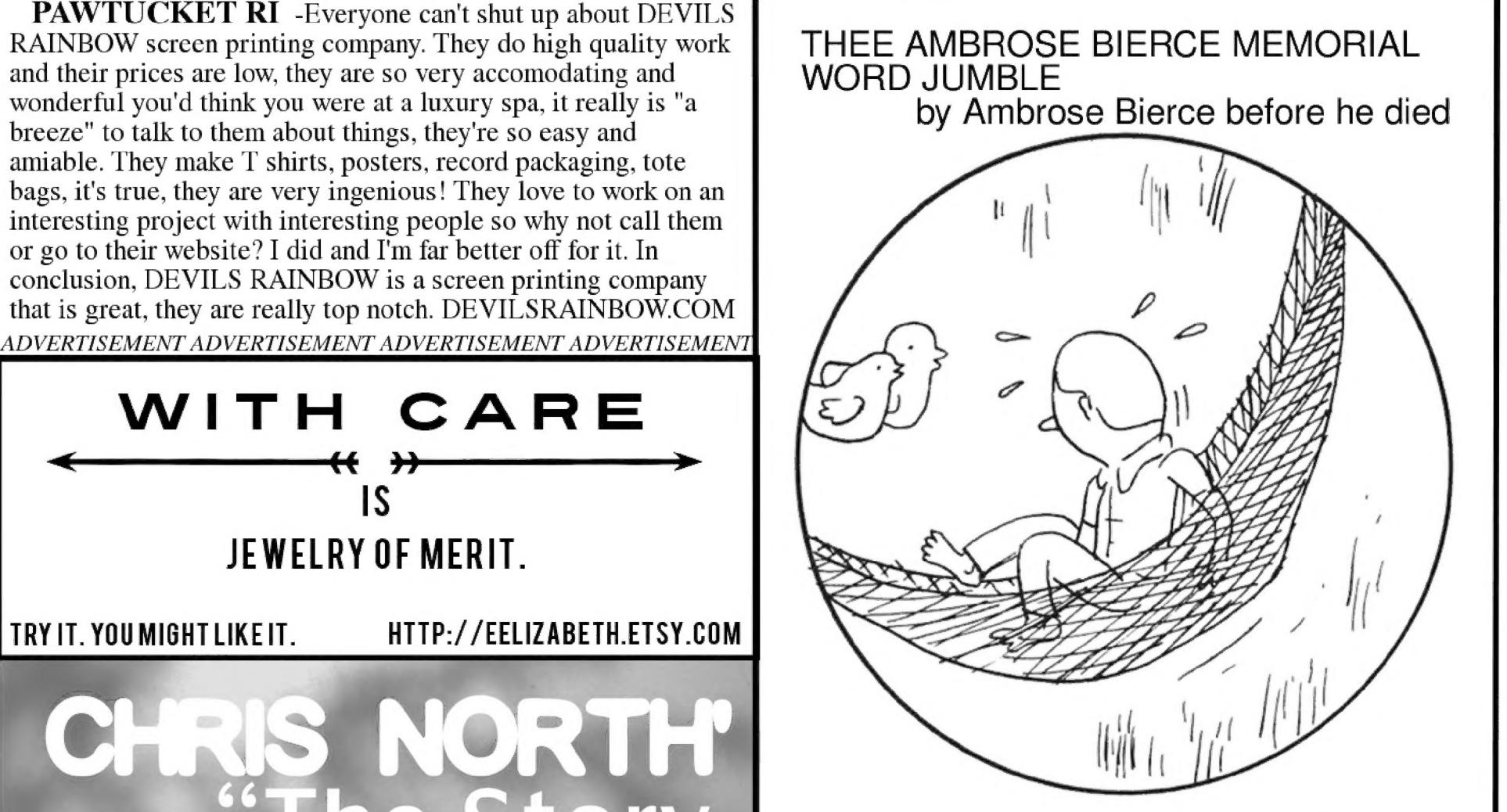
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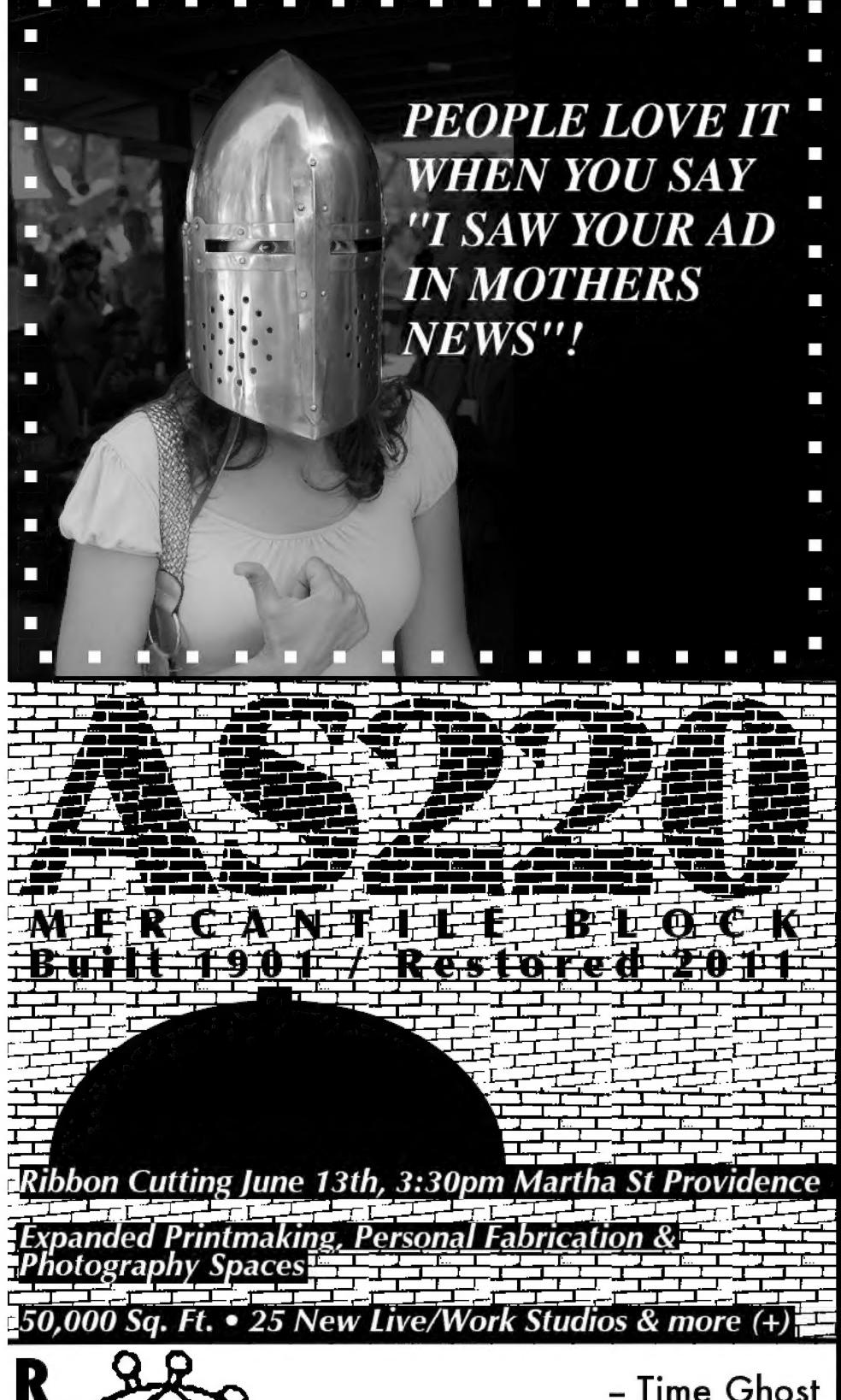
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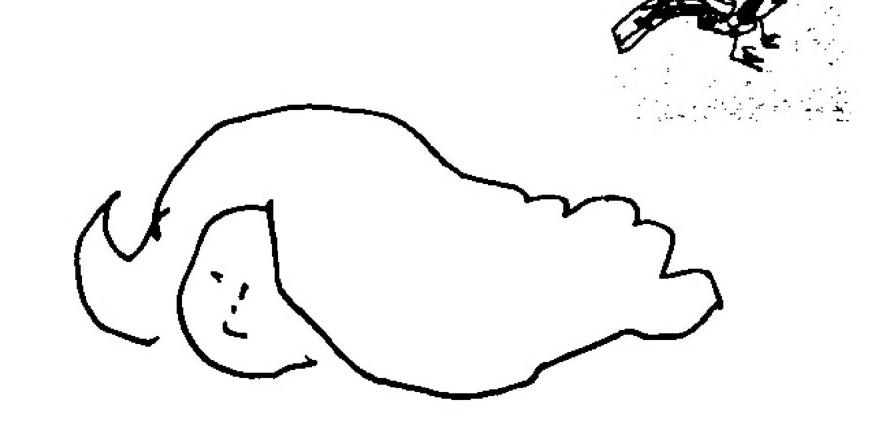
Carl's Oxford Diner, aka "Carl's O" is duh, a diner, in duh, Oxford MA. The food is cheap and plentiful, OH BOY is the food plentiful. in addition to the food being plentiful, if you don't eat all that you ordered, they give you a hard time. In one instance Purtle (who is pure hearted and of a hearty constitution) was disallowed from leaving until he finished his eggs. And speaking of eggs, you're really going to not believe this but if you order 2 eggs you get 3 eggs. I think if you ask for 1 egg they give you 1 egg, but 2 eggs is always 3 eggs, which suits me fine since "my work needs an infinite amount of eggs to come to birth in eternity". sometimes you get a double yolk, which is auspicious. anyway, the important thing here is that it's impossible to actually get 2 eggs. "2 eggs" means "3 eggs", and there's no way to say "give me 2 eggs" that doesn't get you 2 eggs plus an egg. And if you order 3 eggs? well, sometimes they are 5, sometimes they are 3. sometimes they are all of them at once! They will bring you that forever coffee, and once again, they will give you a dull chiding Lutheran Hell if you do not clean your plate.

Just down the road a litttttle bit, a literal stone's throw (with a good arm) is a pretty good donut spot called N&J's, which is open 24 hours a day and is a nice place to sit at the counter (the only seating option). Oxford is a small town so pretty much everyone goes to this donut place and that's who you'll see, pretty much everyone: cops, kids, drug store guy, dads, children, and the full spectrum of motherhood. Coffee refills might not be free, so if you're thinking about paying \$2 rent on a counter stool all night reading HP Lovecraft and sipping an endless mug, look around and see what the current cultural practice is. On the other hand fresh donuts are real, huge donuts are real, triangle donuts are real. This is not the place that has the donut burger (a cheeseburger in between 2 sugar donuts) but why would you want that? Plan on going here immediately after going to Carl's O, just to see if fresh donuts are out. If they are you have to eat one, that's the law...



eyes which were perceived as violet, and a gene mutation that resulted in double eyelashes. She starred in a lot of great movies starting at age 9, and she won awards. She was married several times, twice to wonderful actor Richard Burton. The Vatican condemned their relationship, which began when both were married to others, as "erotic vagrancy". She loved jewelry and perfume, and was a friend to Michael Jackson. Despite being mega mega famous, she remained a cipher, difficult to focus on or talk about. Burton referred to her beauty as a "dark unyielding largesse".

The mutation that gave Taylor her striking double eyelashes may also have contributed to her history of heart trouble, to which she eventually succumbed, at age 79. At her request, the funeral began 15 minutes after it was scheduled to begin; as her representative told the media "She even wanted to be late for her own funeral.".

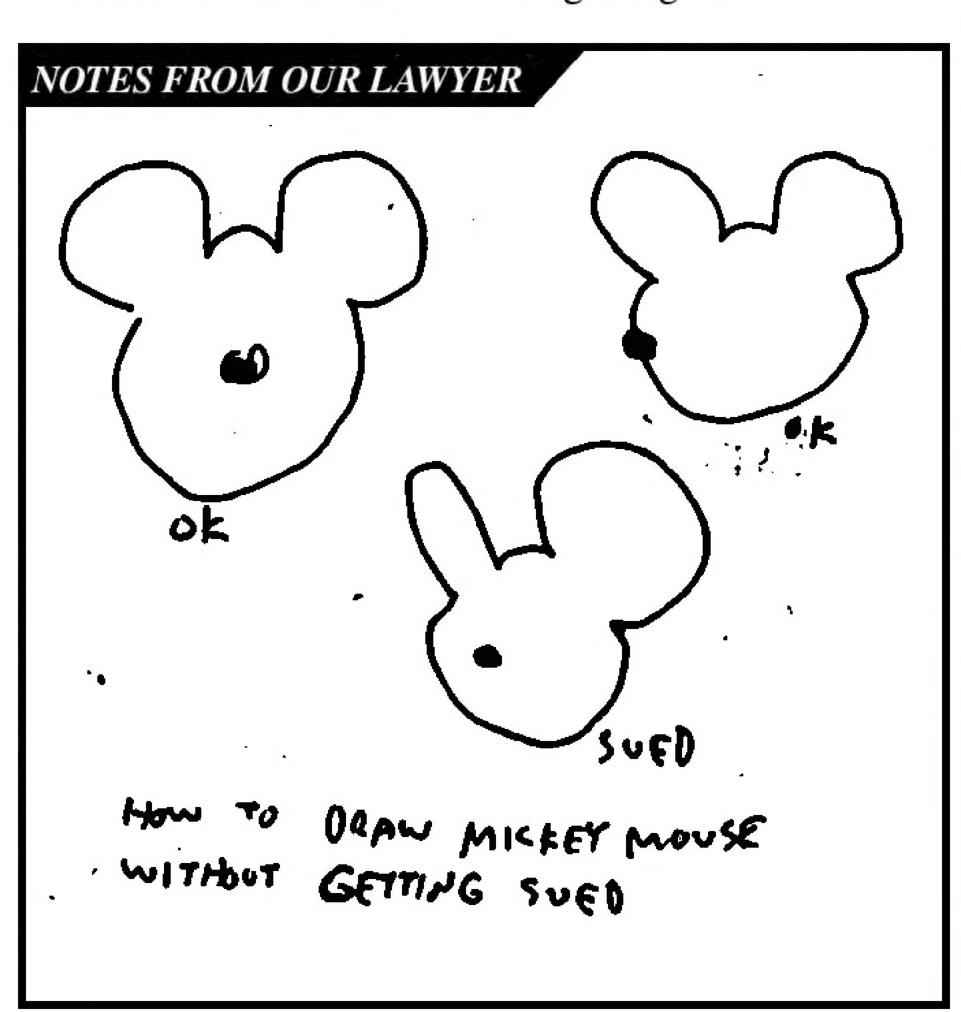


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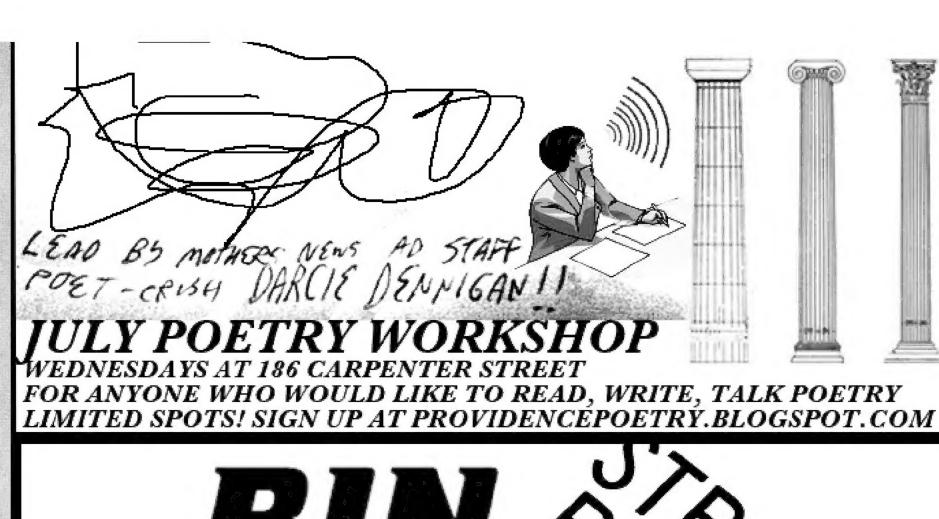
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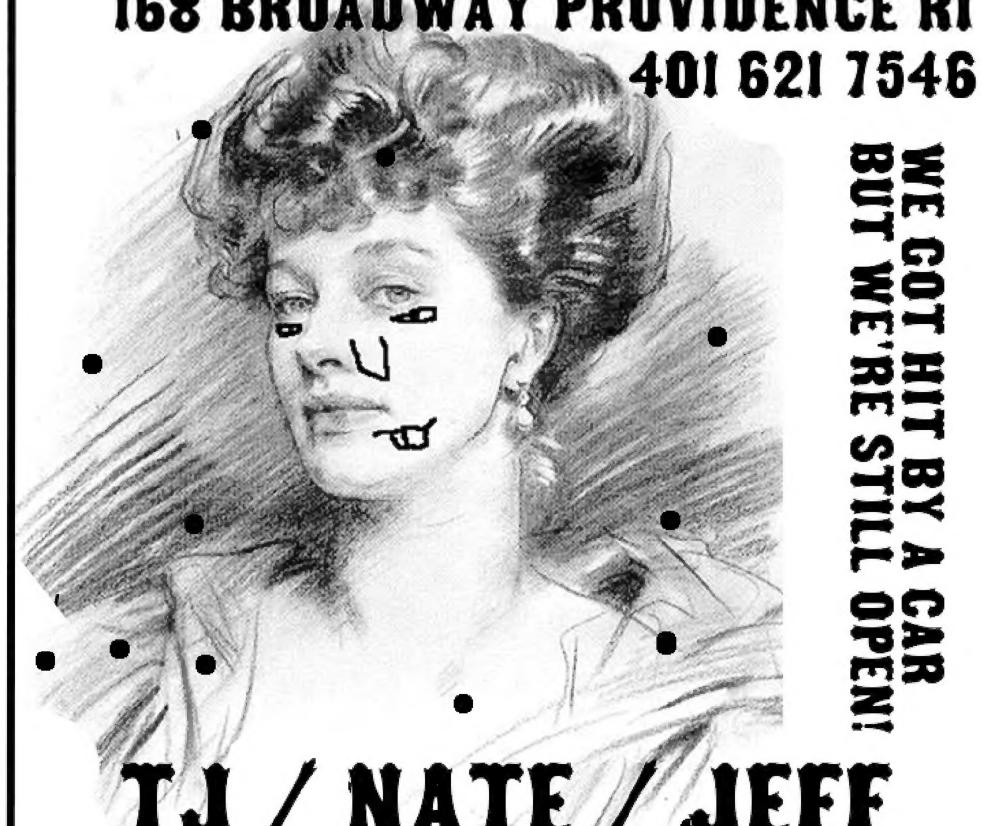
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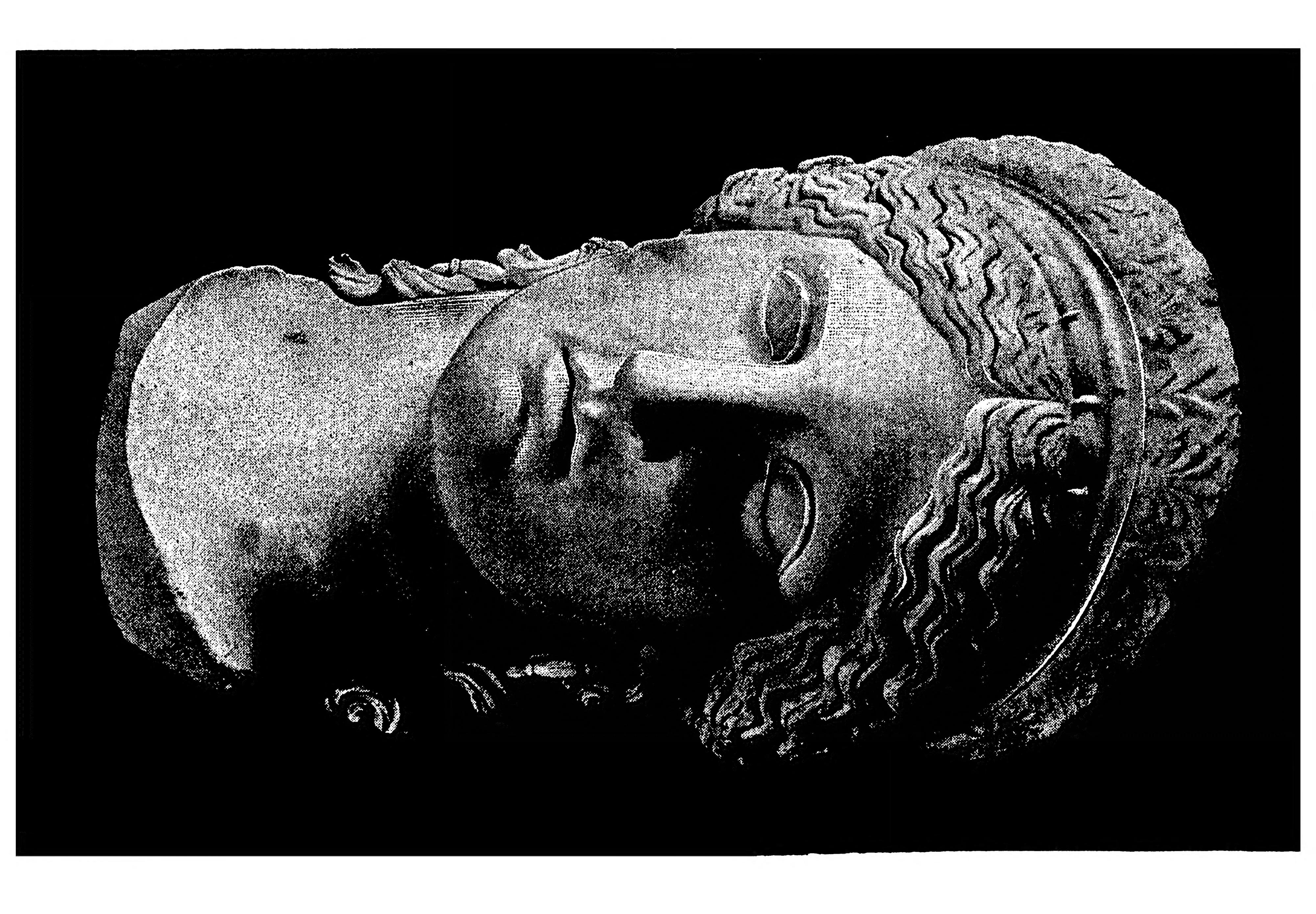
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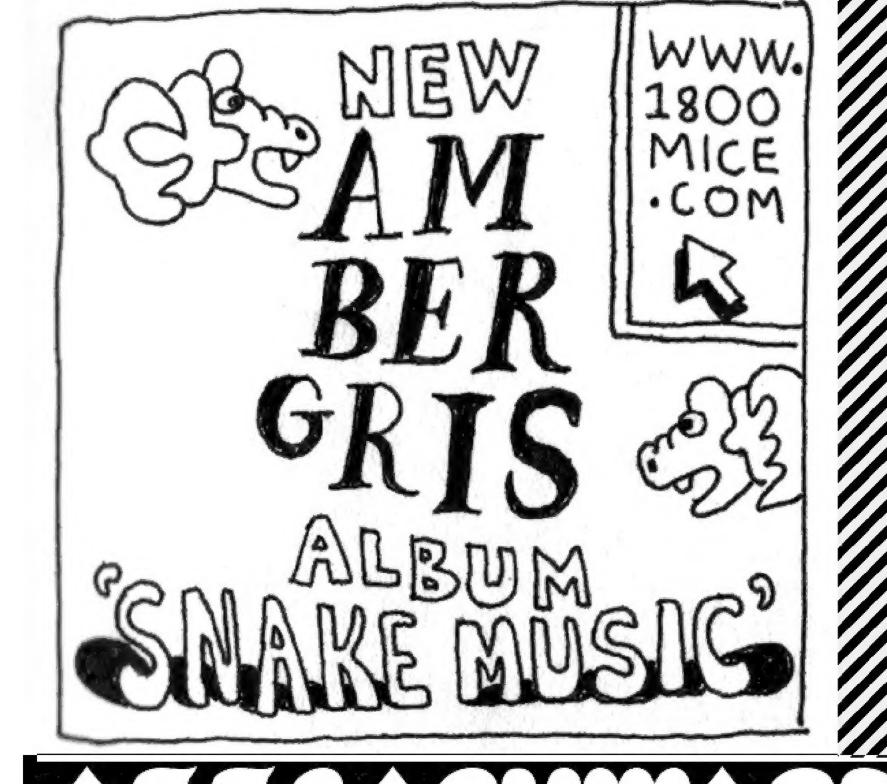
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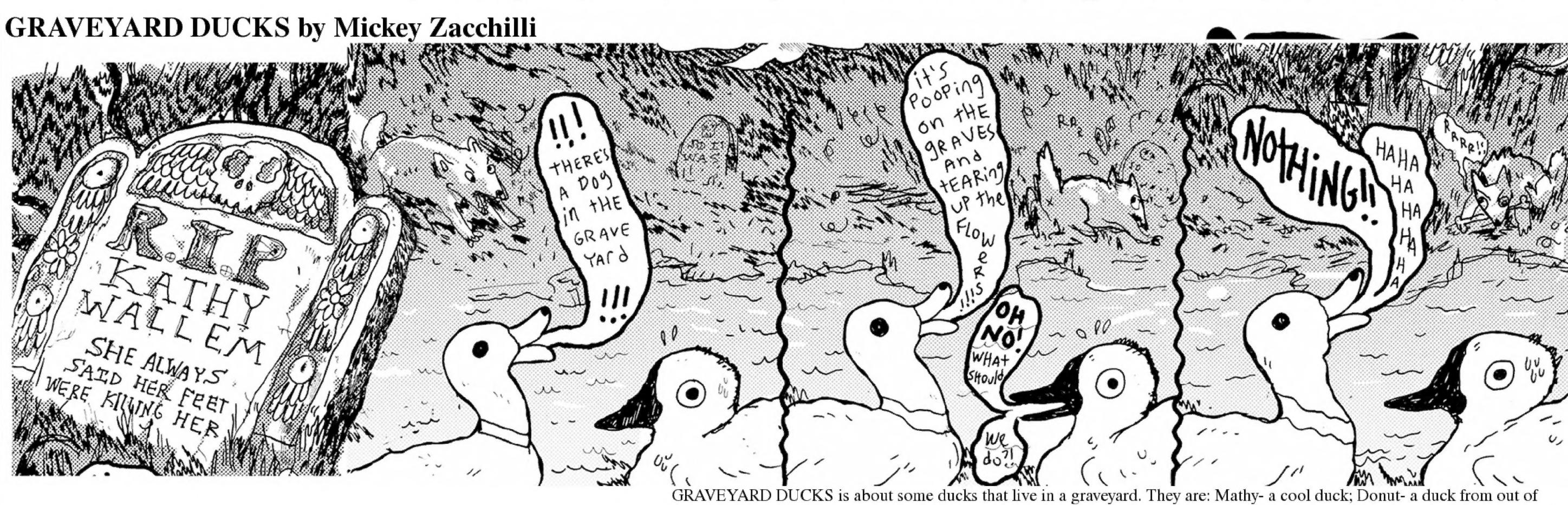
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- NEXT MONTH: all this and more!
- Mike Taylor MONKEY VISION Jackie H Curtiss GRAPEFRUIT SEED
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WITCH BEACH by Charles Forsman



There are 3 residents of WITCH BEACH: Stephen the reluctant husband(not a witch), Eleanor the knowing wife and mother (witch), and their daughter Icky (witch but not good at it). Together they are a family who live in a giant witch hat on Witch Beach. They all struggle to make this mixed-up family work in whatever way they can.

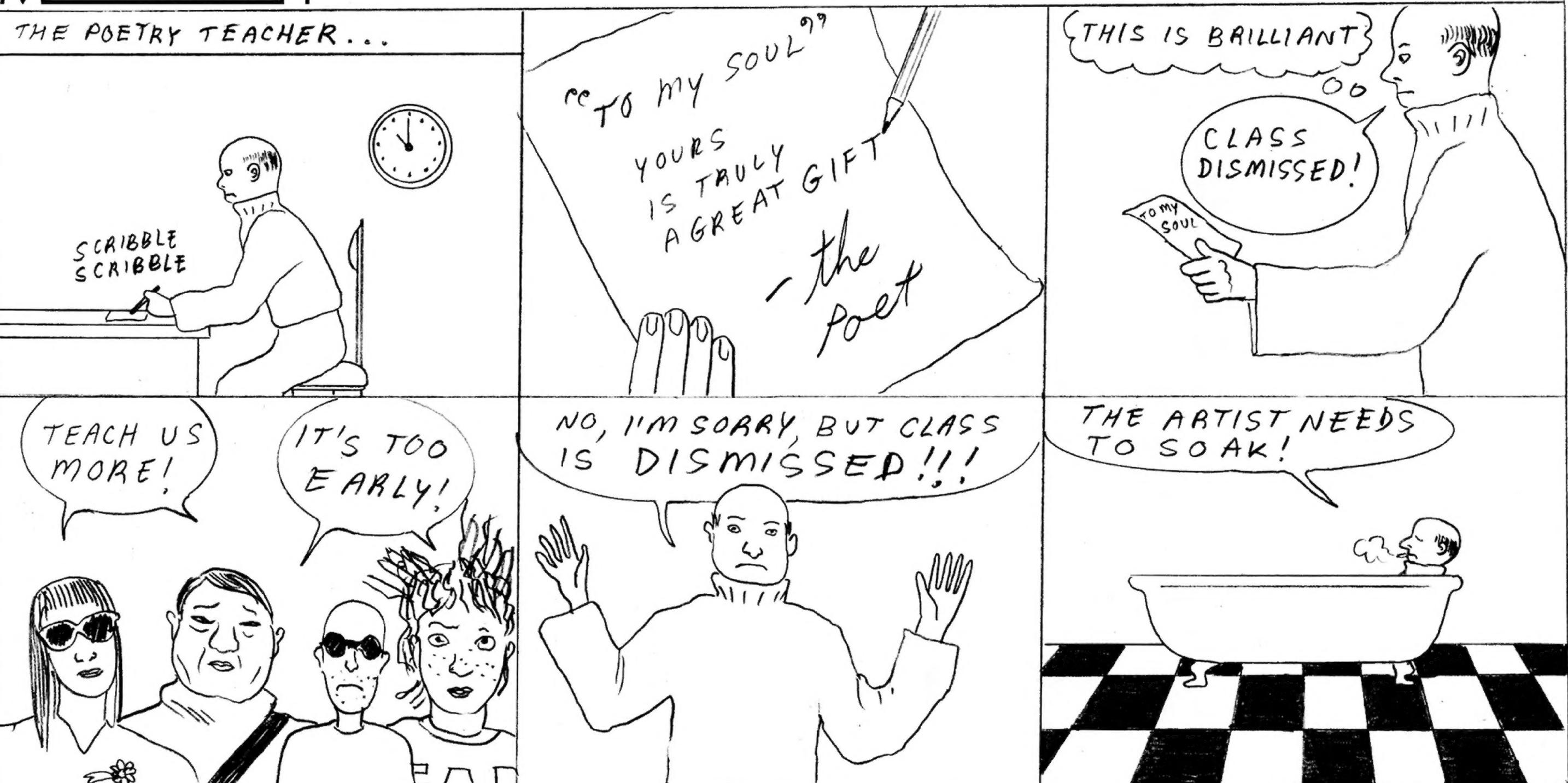


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# KRAZY KAT by George Herriman





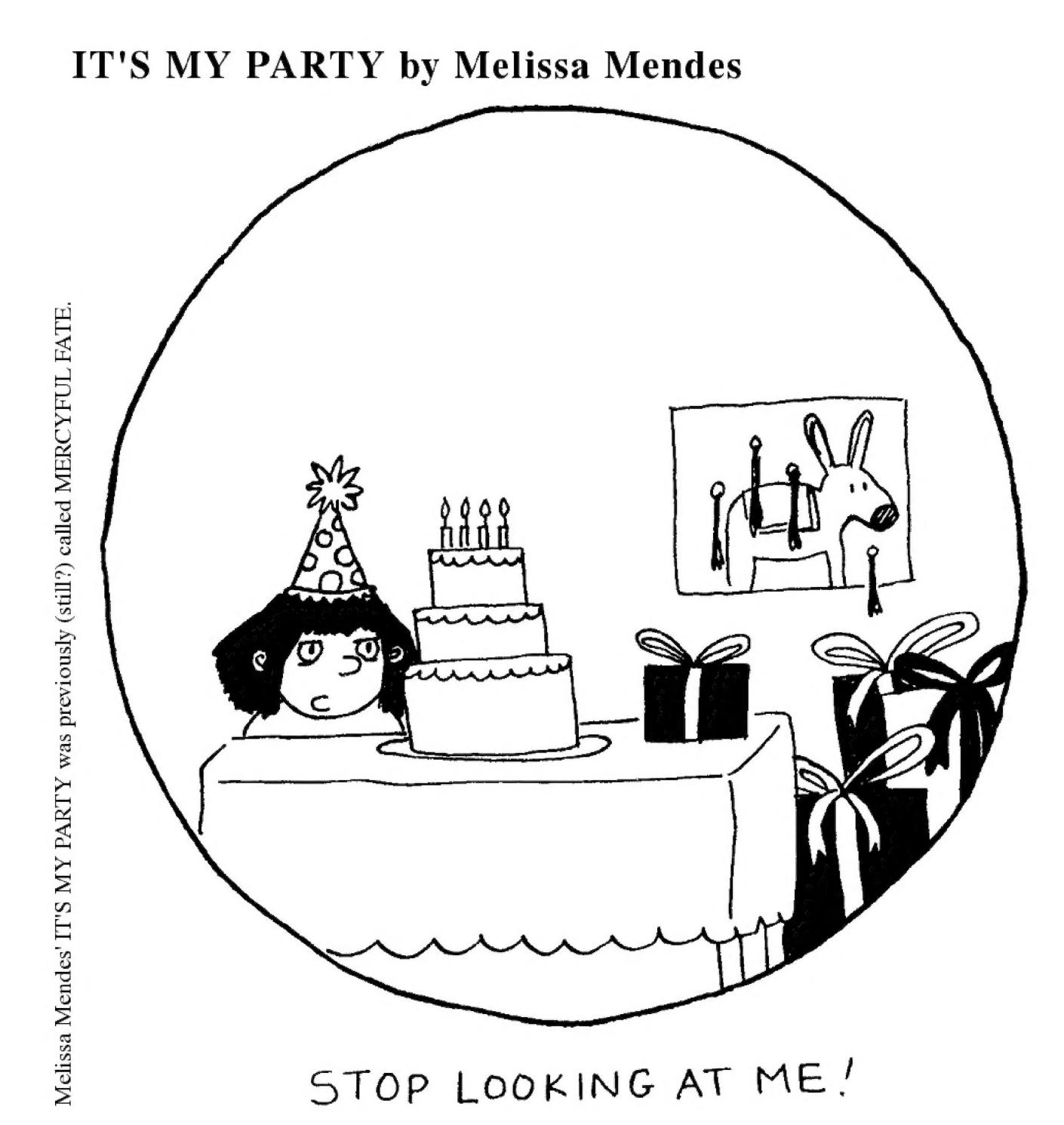
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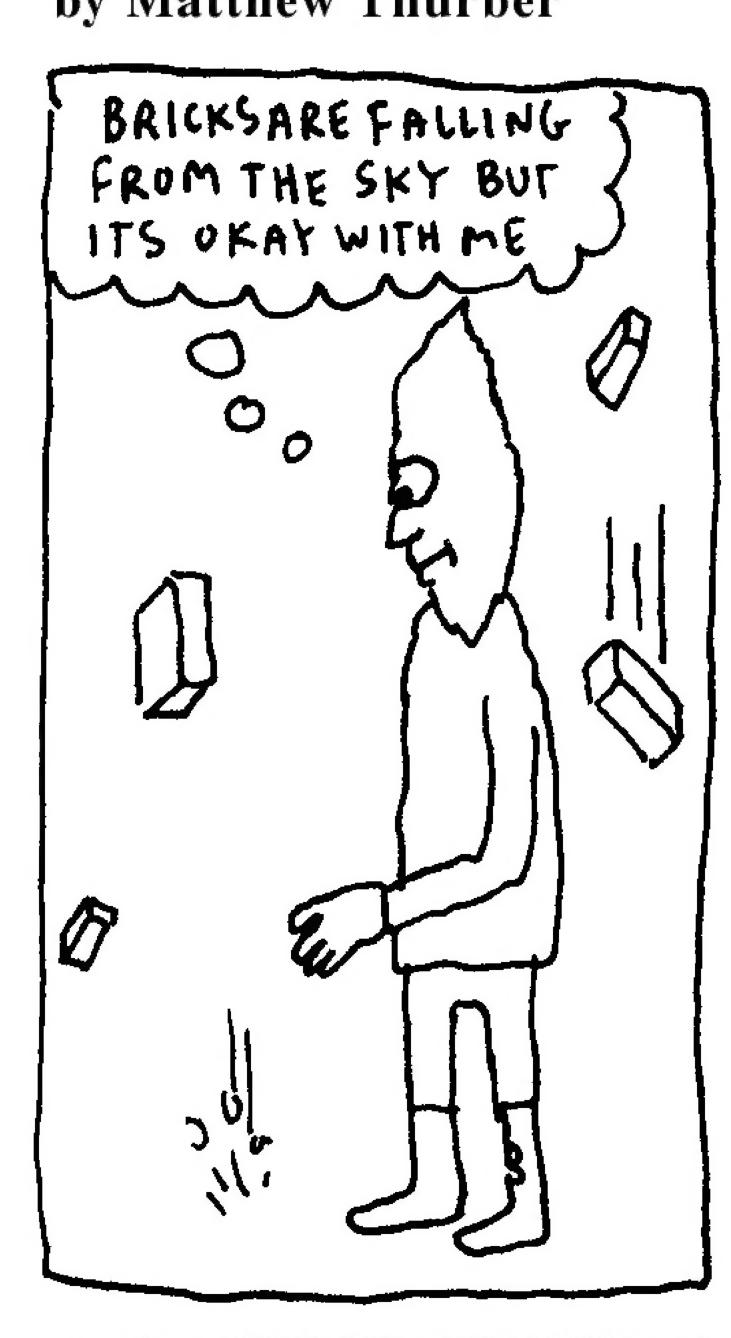








INFO MANIACS by Matthew Thurber





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# THE SAINT by Kate Schapira

The Saint of Hunger presses Kraft pimento-and-olive cheese in a jar, nut rolls, smells of meat from the crock-pot.

To let a chance go by is worse than trusting luck to feed you. Thank eating, knowing you could have been eaten. Stay out of the barrel. The wicked Hotel Man hadn't got any meat for his customers, so he had killed the little boys and Pickled them and Peppered them and cut them into little Squares

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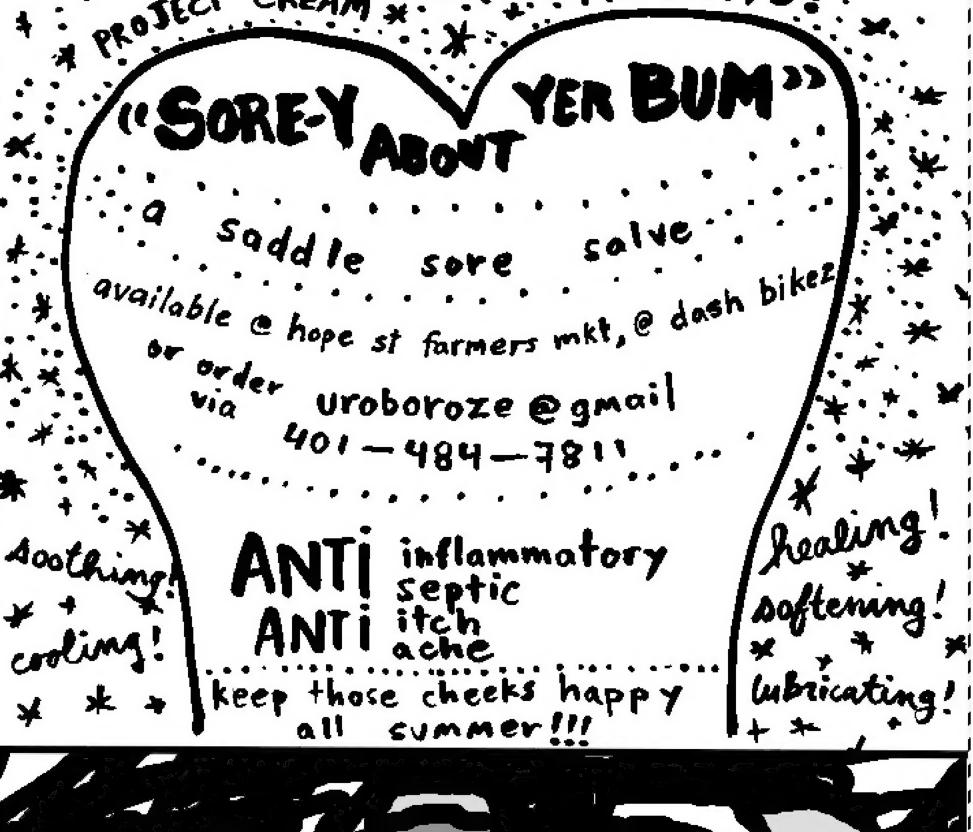
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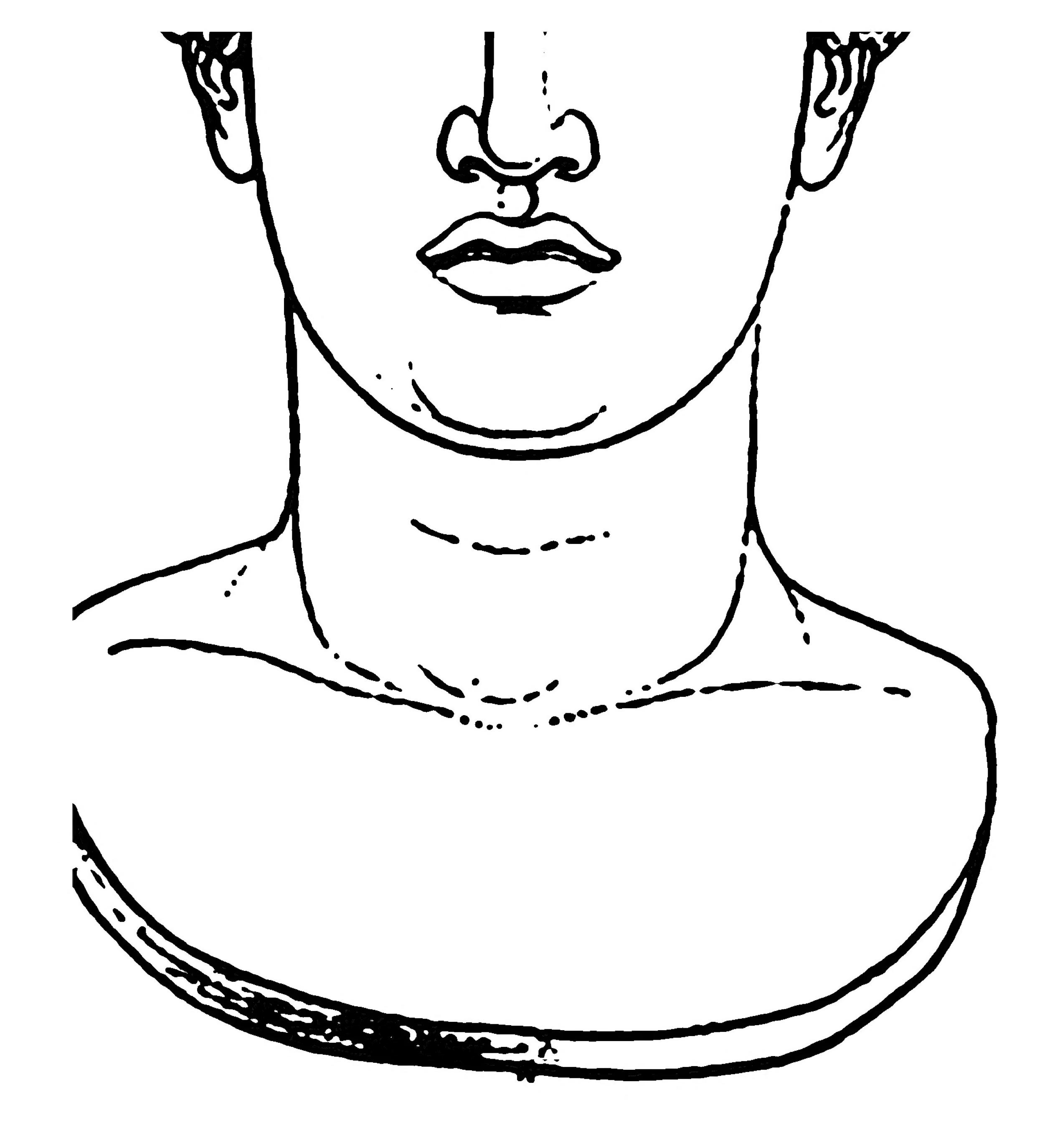
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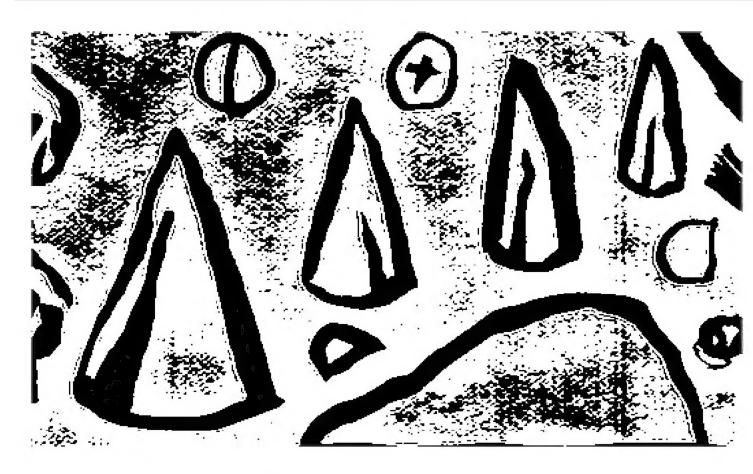
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JUNE 20TH

PSSST! Mother's Good Word this month is "GORMLESS". If anyone asks you for "Mother's Good Word", that's what it is. And if you need a semi-public password for any reason, and you need it to expire in a month, please use Mothers Good Word.



# GOSSIP SECTION by Josephine Mendes

It's been nice having a vacation, now it's back on the whatever kind of animal a GOSSIP SECTION is... parties and stuff... AMIL BYLECKIE is working on creating a line of men's underwear and swim trunks. He's looking for models that aren't JACK WILMARTH in disguise. DARE U WEAR? NEAL WALRUS has sprained his beard while playing chess, everyone sign that card that's going around so we can give it to his beard and raise the beard's spirits. Stay strong, Neal's beard! NIK PERRY is tired of being asked to dress up as a baby for your pageant... Stop asking him to dress up as a baby, it would funny (if) but also it's not funny (wanting)... Towing a similar line, JONATHAN MOSCA's bodyhair is exceptional but we're almost over it as a topic of conversation, this might be the last time we talk about it before someone says "enough!". Hey the sun is glorious but after a while we start to talk about other things too you know... ... Speaking of things that are radiant, TATIANA YANISHEVSKY has a new job knitting 20:1 scale organic fiber genitals for a New York storefront window-- I can't say which store but it isn't Saks, that'd be too corny even for me. U Go Girl! ...DANIEL J CASHMAN was invited then disinvited to a snooty art show by some typical art blowhard and American giver, we all had a good laugh. Key lines from the rejection email: "Does your art have any content or does it just sit on top of trash" and "What is a porkatron?". Why would I make this up... The great JORI KETTEN nickname contest is still rolling... top contenders right now are JOR JOR BINKS and JORI LaFORGE and JORI DUTY and JORASSIC PARK and JKLOL. BRIAN TRIPPENDALE is working on a new comic about a cute little house with a garden, and he has a Kickstarter to raise research funds, aka dude's trying to get a house he doesn't get booted from famously... He's still at the attic for the time being, but the situation is foggy at best, give him a dollar, get nothing... ay you know AMERICAN ROB, the dude at seven stars with the Rollie Fingers mustachio? cool dude, nice vibe, cool nickname... you know how you really want to but at the same time don't be friends with the people at the coffee place because like the stakes are too high? Well, he doesn't work there anymore, so introduce without risk... Speaking of convos with dudes from a place, I had a nice talk with that CLARK KENT looking dude at Symbozium, in the course of which he produced a lunch that consisted of 1,) a half bag of potato chips (closed with a hair clip), 2,) an orange, and 3,) a can of orange soda. I was like whoa, you sure about that? Dude said NBD, I was like OK. Hey, here's good news- SUE BLANKS is happy in New York, she's been dumpstering the Natural History Museum which is not hard to believe, and she's teaching a taxidermy class where they give you a dead lab mouse and you put a tiny leather jacket on it and pose it like it's being misunderstood by another mouse in a plaid skirt. CUTE! On the topic of whimsical animals, SAM MERIQUOI from CAVE GRIS tried to give herself a stick-and-poke Lisa Frank tattoo but messed it up big time... it's a pegasus farting a cloud that says "PARTY" but she's been telling people it's a crocodile that says "AMEBIX" underneath. Nice try, Sam... KFO quit that NYC job as reported now she has some Boston thing that actually pays money... COOL... On the other side of the coin, famous teen witch MOSES is now unemployed, which is weird to say because her last job was smoking weed alone in a hospital for 3 hours a week and answering a questionaire about what's more good to eat cheese nips or cheetos. Stay up Moses, at least you're still young enough to choose another career... IT'S THE ECONOMY... Hey speaking of perfect punks, Real Massachusetts High School teacher MUD DUCKERINO got his big straight edge tattoo covered up with the (huge) logo of his student/faculty bowling team. I'm going to say the name of the team so you know i'm not making it up, it's too stupid-- the team is called the Mingly Tinkly Zinkly Apples. Go Apples! I could easily get an apple tattoo... All Punks Please Leave Earth!!!! oh, wait, this is sad- FATHEAD'S BABY GEESE have passed away. Fathead found them on the way home from the bar and took them in, he took them to the bar, they shit everywhere, he loved them very much, they shit everywhere. So long sailors... GOOD LUCK!

CORRECTIONS: Way back in the November issue we incorrectly quoted a poem by Cool Breeze. The last line should have read "coffee makes me happy when I'm feeling sad". Our apologies to Cool Breeze who is a blessing unto the Earth and so say all who know him. Thanks Matt Coe, literary executor to Cool Breeze, for pointing out our error.

IMAGE ATTRIBUTIONS: thanks to our ad staff! in this case it was: James McShane-Rocket to Mars ad, Ambrose Bierce in a hammock; Ian Cozzens- White Electric ad; Tom Bubul (Be U Be Universal Love)- Augurari ad, Ada Books ad, Darcie ad, Meg ad, Joan ad; Jackie H Curtiss- all the other ads that weren't made by the people who designed their own ads. Phew!

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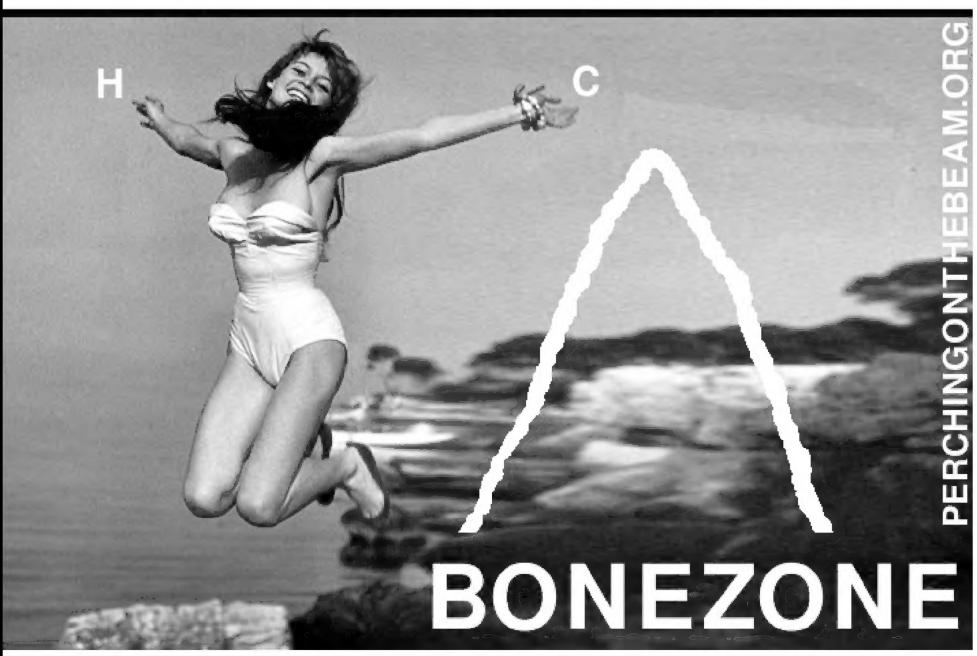
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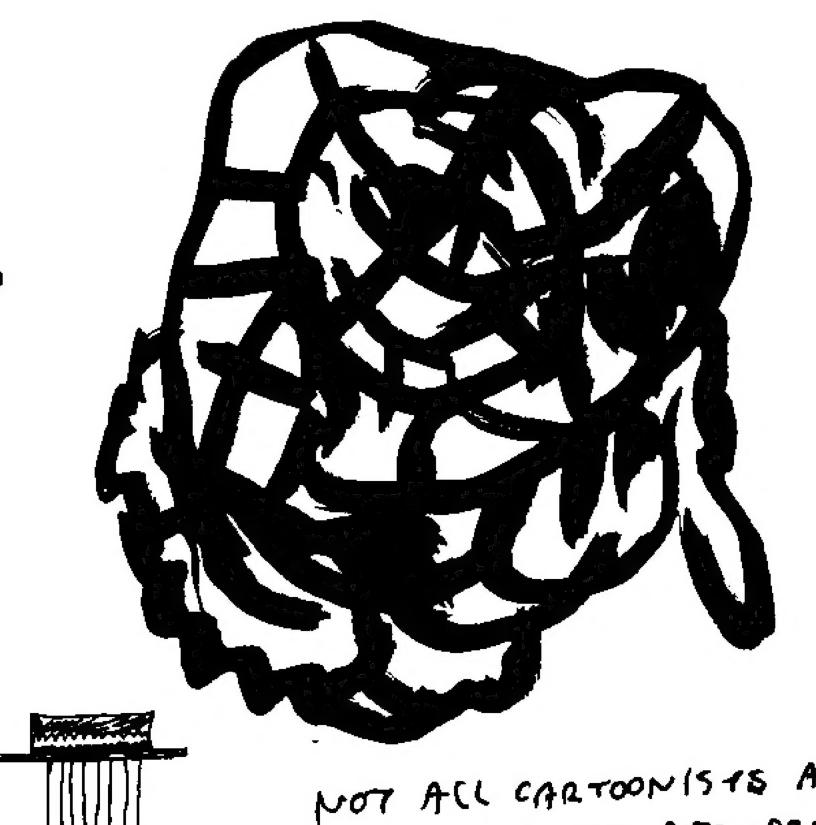
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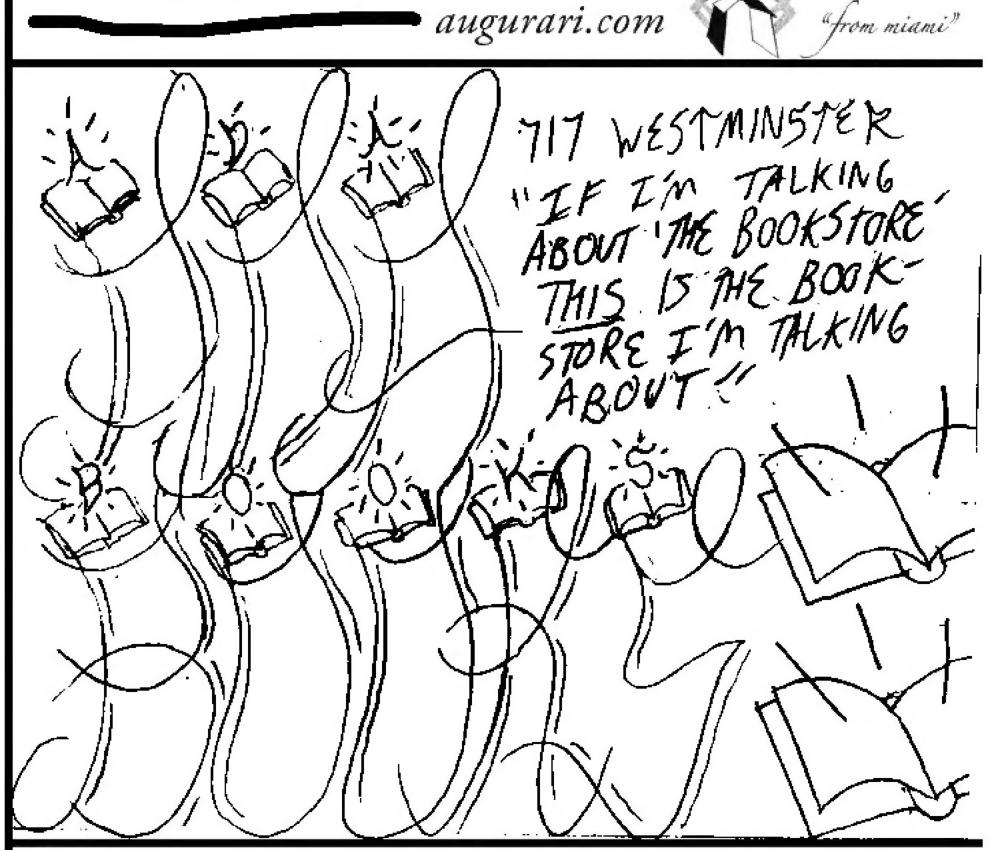


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Your website describes Augurari as "appropriating the structure of a small record label." How is what Augurari does different than simply straight-up being a small record label? There have been visual artists incorporating sound and performance in their work for decades. Big names like Christian Marclay or Mike Kelley, for example. The narrow parameters I've set for Augurari derive from this breed of art. The objective is to publish audio recordings which are made by contemporary visual artists who in some way use sound. It's really more of a curated art project that puts out small editions, rather than a record label that releases music by musicians within a genre. A curator is asked to participate and then they choose artists to work with, then we release the recording on cassette or vinyl in editions of 150.

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